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FOR EB/IFD/BP - WINTER

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: WIPO, EINV, SF

SUBJECT: WIPO: PCT ASSEMBLY - SOUTH AFRICA QUESTION

ACCORDING TO WIPO VICE DIRECTOR GENERAL PFANNER, WIPO DID NOT RPT NOT INVITE SOUTH AFRICA TO PARTICIPATE AS OBSERVER TO FIRST SESSION OF PCT ASSEMBLY, ALTHOUGH ALL OTHER PARIS UNION MEMBER STATES, WHICH WERE NOT PCT MEMBERS, WERE INVITED. USDEL CONSULTED WITH GROUP B COUNTRIES OF MAJOR INFLUENCE (E.G. FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY, UK, FRANCE, SWITZERLAND) TO ASCERTAIN WHETHER THEY WERE PREPARED TO MAKE FORMAL OR INFORMAL PROTEST ON THE ILLEGALITY OF WIPO'S ACTION. WITH THE EXCEPTION OF FRG, THESE COUNTRIES DID NOT THINK THAT THE PCT ASSEMBLY WAS NECESSARILY THE PROPER PLACE TO RAISE THE ISSUE AND PREFERRED THAT THE PROBLEM EITHER BE BROUGHT UP AT PARIS UNION ADMINISTRATIVE MEETINGS OR JUST BE IGNORED. USDEL RELUCTANTLY WENT ALONG WITH MAJORITY OF GROUP B COUNTRIES, NOT WISHING TO MAKE A MAJOR ISSUE OF THE SITUATION ON ITS OWN, WITHOUT GROUP B SUPPORT. FRG WAS RELUCTANT TO GO IT ALONE WITH U.S., ALTHOUGH BOTH

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DELEGATIONS HOPED THAT SUBJECT WOULD BE RAISED AT NEXT PARIS UNION ADMINISTRATIVE MEETINGS. VANDEN HEUVEL

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